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Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 11-20-08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicants argue that Kolls fails to associate the audio file with a user interface and there is no suggestion in Kolls of a user interface.

Kolls in col. 29, lines 22-67 provides for EEROM 204 utilized as a high density data storage utilized for storage of digital audio data.

Kolls in figure 18 clearly provides for a user interface for altering or customizing a play list or setting blocks 1708 and 1710.

User interfaces are clearly illustrated in figure 4.

In col. 53, lines 34-67 and col. 54, lines 1-28, note clear suggestion of a user interface that provides for selection of an audio file over a wide area network.

Claim 18 is obvious over the conventional remote keyless entry system as evidence in view of the vehicle alarm system activated by way of interface 236.

The recited keyless entry is not patentably significant over Kolls vehicle alarm system which provides an associated vehicle function, col. 39, lines 25-57.

The locking of a security function is obvious over the setting and monitoring of the vehicle alarm system as discussed in col. 39, lines 25-57.

Kolls clearly provides for the association of audio files with monitored vehicle events.

Kolls clearly provides for altering or changing the audio files either remotely through the Internet or by means of convention user interfaces such as a PC, general purpose computer 220, microphone 254.

The artisan clearly recognizes that user interfaces are provided for customizing the audio files in Kolls.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DONNIE L. CROSLAND whose telephone number is 571-272-2980. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur. 9:30a-6:00p.

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